## RMP Implementation and Development Funding for FY'18

Any remaining RMP set-aside balances from prior fiscal years are authorized to be carried forward to FY2018, and no additional RMP earmark is being made at this time. These funds may be utilized for plan development (RMP-1) and implementation (RMP-2), although the intent in FY2018 is for the emphasis to be placed on plan implementation (RMP-2).

The RMP Implementation (RMP-2) VACS practice should continue to have a continuous sign-up statewide for the set-aside funds. Applicants are encouraged however, to apply for RMP-2 prior to December 31, 2017, when the Department will begin to also consider RMP-1 applications for the statewide set-aside RMP funding.

For those Districts that choose the option, to have an RMP Development (RMP-1) sign-up period, in which producers sign-up, using a form provided by the Department, as being interested in having an RMP developed at a future date. Such a sign-up would allow Districts to adequately advertise the opportunity for RMP development, would allow District staff to discuss the RMP program with the interested participants, and allow District staff to prioritize participants using the criteria supplied by the Department. Districts may establish their own sign-up period to accept RMP Development Interest Forms. Completed forms must be submitted to DCR RMP staff by December 31, 2017 in order to be considered for either RMP set-aside funding or to be included on a list for future RMP Development grants. In January 2018, the list of interested participants will be evaluated by the Department to assess funding needs for RMP Development contracts and to determine the adequacy of the remaining RMP set-aside funding. Additional funding may be provided to the RMP set-aside, and/or RMP Operational Support, if needed.

Districts may also continue to fund RMP-1 or RMP-2 applications with their District VACS allocations.

Attachment:
RMP Development Interest Form